

Invalid name of a *Deuterosminthurus* species

Pierre NAYROLLES

Laboratoire de Zoologie, Ecobiologie des Arthropodes édaphiques

Université Paul Sabatier, 118, route de Narbonne F-31062 Toulouse Cedex, France.

I recently described *Deuterosminthurus maculatus* Nayrolles, 1996 which appears to be a primary homonym of *Deuterosminthurus obscurus* var. *maculatus* Womersley, 1939.

Dr. Bellinger kindly informed me of the homonymy. Thus, I propose the new name dedicated to my American colleague: *Deuterosminthurus bellingeri* **nom. n.** in replacement of *Deuterosminthurus maculatus* Nayrolles, 1996.

Concerning the status of *Deuterosminthurus obscurus* var. *maculatus* Womersley, 1939, this variety is not a *Deuterosminthurus* but a species of the genus *Aneuempodialis*, a very distinct genus from *Deuterosminthurus* (*Aneuempodialis* is Australian, *Deuterosminthurus* holarctic). According to GREENSLADE (1977), *Deuterosminthurus obscurus* Womersley, 1932 which was included in *Aneuempodialis* by STACH (1955), is a species of the genus *Rastriopes*.

REFERENCES

- GREENSLADE, P. 1977. A re-examination of the genus *Corynephorina* Absolon (Collembola, Sminthuridae). *Revue d'Ecologie et de Biologie du Sol* 14: 241-256.
- STACH, J. 1956. The apterygotan fauna of Poland in relation to the world-fauna of this group of insects. Family: Sminthuridae. *Polska Akademia Nauk Instytut Zoologiczny, Krakowie*, 287 pp.